

ARE YOU CYBER SAFE?



THE INTERNET IS VIRTUAL;
THE DANGERS CAN BE REAL!

PERSONAL INFORMATION

- ! Don't share personal information such as your name, age, sex, picture, location/address, phone number, hobbies, interests, and Social Security/bank account numbers.
- Create nicknames that don't reflect your own name or anything personal.
- Never respond to online communication that is inappropriate or makes you feel uncomfortable.
- ! Never agree to meet in person someone you met online.
- Always talk with your parents or a responsible adult about your online activities.

CYBER PREDATORS

- ! Think twice before sharing any information about yourself.
- If you suspect that you are being stalked or the victim of inappropriate communication by a stranger, report it to a trusted adult or the CyberTipline <<http://www.cybertipline.com/>> (1-800-843-5678) 24-hours a day.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

- ! Tell your teacher, a trusted adult, or parent if you come across inappropriate content.
- Know how to use the back button or log off immediately when you find material that makes you feel uncomfortable.
- Don't download files from people you don't know.
- Use filtered searches and systems; ask your teacher or librarian for help.

SOCIAL NETWORKS

- Predators disguise themselves as friendly and often hunt for victims through social networking sites.
- ! Never share your personal information or anything about your friends—especially your cell phone number.
- Be careful about adding strangers to your "friends list."
- Don't be shy; report inappropriate postings/profiles to the social networking provider and to the police.

PIRACY

- Don't download, copy, or share music, games, movies, photos, or other intellectual property without the permission of the creator.
- Use only legitimate sites (those that request payment) or copyright free materials when downloading music, games, movies, photos, or other intellectual property.

CYBERBULLYING

- ! Don't respond to or meet with a cyberbully.
- Save proof of the harassment like e-mail messages, screen shots, IM logs, blogs, etc.
- Tell a trusted adult who can:
 - File a complaint with the Internet Service Provider, e-mail provider, or the host of the Web site where the abuse has been posted.
 - Contact the cyberbully's parents.
 - Contact an attorney or file a small claims action.

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